

WASHINGTON TIMES SPORTS

GREAT OPPORTUNITY IS AWAITING AT DOOR OF NEW YORK YANKEES

By FREDERICK G. LIEB.

Unquestionably, the coming world series offers the New York Yankees their great opportunity. It took the Yanks a long while to get a foothold in New York, and it really wasn't until Ruth was acquired from Boston that the Yankees got a firm grip on the New York public. But in the last three years they have been patronized as go other club in baseball.

But beating their Manhattan rivals, the Giants, is a draught of joy that the Yanks never have drunk from victory's cup. Opportunity is knocking loudly at their door, but the question of the hour is whether the Yanks will be able to respond to the knocks. The fans of the nation await the answer.

As a club, the Yankees hit fifteen points lighter than the Giants, but in the pitching department, the American Leaguers are several miles ahead. Granting that Mays and Jones have not pitched in their accustomed form this year and that Hoyt also failed to come up to expectations, there is no getting around it that Bush, Shawkey, Hoyt, Jones and Mays constitute one of the greatest pitching staffs ever entered in a world series.

Huggins has such an advantage over McGraw in pitching, that there is no comparison. Miller's present plans are to start the series with Bush, and give each of his five headliners a chance to pitch at least one game. In that way, he always will have a fresh, well-rested pitcher ready for any emergency. McGraw on the other hand will probably be obliged to jockey his pitchers from day to day, as he has been forced to do in the closing weeks of the National League season.

Not only in pitching, but in other ways Huggins will take a better club into the world series than he did a year ago. Unlike last year, the entire Yankee play does not revolve around Ruth. In that in the spring was a good thing, as way, his suspension of forty days it taught the Yankees that they could win without the "Big Bam."

Or, the whole, the Yankee play is better co-ordinated. The club can't get up much gumption when it plays second division opponents, but it always shows up at its best when it gets mixed up with a contender. In 1921, the Yankees failed to lose a series to the Indians, their closest rivals, and this year they won four series from the Browns and tied two others. This is cited to refute an erroneous impression that the Yankees lack gameness.

In a former article, I also have called attention to the fact that this year the Yanks are pulling better together and working as a smoother team. There was much friction between Huggins and some members of the team late in 1921, but in the final 1922 dash of the American League champions through the West, the team has displayed a spirit and determination that few persons suspected it possessed.

A big factor in the Yankee play this year has been Wally Pipp, who ranks next to Schaner among the Yankee regulars in batting. Pipp was an awful detriment to the Yankee offense in the series of last year, as he landed only four hits in the eight games. Batting in first place, the time he broke up Yankee rallies by grounding to the infield, or driving his long flies to the outfield. This year Pipp has been a changed player, and he is out to make the New York fans forget about 1921.

Ruth and Bob Meusel also should hit better this autumn. Not so much will be expected from the "Big Bam," and Ruth, sure can slough ordinary pitching. Bob Meusel is another athlete who waxes fat on pitching which doesn't quite come up to snuff.

We repeat. Opportunity is knocking loudly at the door of the Yankee clubhouse.

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SET BACK WOMEN'S BOWLING SCHEDULE

The schedule of the Washington Women's Duckpin League, and also of the Postoffice League, has been set back a week while the Postoffice alleys are being planned. The leagues were to open tomorrow.

Will Play Tomorrow.

A good baseball game will be seen at Arlington, Va., Sunday when the two strongest teams in the county, Arlington and Cherrydale, will meet at 3 p. m., and battle for the championship of the county. Laycock will be on the mound for Arlington and Clatterback will try to repeat for Cherrydale.

WORLD'S SERIES CONTENDERS

Compiled by AL MUNRO ELIAS.

LEAGUE CHAMPION N. Y. YANKEES

BATTING RECORDS.										FIELDING RECORDS.									
Player.	Pos.	Bats.	Gms.	AB.	R.	H.	SB.	3B.	P.C.	S.B.	S.F.	P.C.	P.O.	A.	E.	P.C.	P.C.	P.C.	P.C.
Joe Bush.	R.	34	84	14	29	5	2	0	38	0	5	345	16	57	0	1,000			
Walter Schang.	C.	103	330	40	111	16	6	1	142	9	19	336	265	83	13	.964			
Frank O'Doul.	util.	L.	8	9	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	333	1	5	0	1,000			
Walter Pipp.	1b.	L.	130	496	82	162	26	10	7	229	5	23	327	1470	76	13	.992		
Bob Meusel.	l.f.	R.	99	390	53	124	21	9	13	202	10	8	318	170	16	8	.959		
Babe Ruth.	r.f.	L.	88	324	75	105	16	5	29	216	9	2	318	168	8	9	.951		
Lawton Witt.	c.f.	L.	118	445	82	139	9	5	4	170	5	9	312	268	8	8	.971		
Fred Hofmann.	util.	R.	36	88	13	27	5	3	2	44	0	1	307	86	15	3	.971		
Joe Dugan.	R.	122	508	77	152	27	4	5	202	3	16	299	162	270	23	.950			
Frank Baker.	util.	L.	66	232	30	65	11	3	7	103	1	6	280	72	108	8	.957		
George Murray.	P.	R.	22	18	1	5	0	1	1	10	0	0	278	0	14	1	.937		
Elmer Smith.	util.	L.	88	257	44	71	12	6	7	116	0	5	277	127	7	8	.944		
Everett Scott.	s.s.	R.	132	482	59	133	21	4	3	171	2	26	276	260	463	28	.963		
Aaron Ward.	2b.	R.	132	487	59	131	16	3	178	5	28	269	303	439	21	.972			
N. McMillan.	util.	R.	30	75	6	20	1	0	23	4	4	267	33	0	3	.917			
Mike McNally.	util.	R.	61	145	20	38	2	2	0	44	3	16	262	61	96	4	.975		
Carl Mays.	P.	L.	34	90	6	22	1	1	0	25	0	3	244	8	88	4	.960		
Sam Jones.	P.	R.	41	78	14	10	8	0	1	30	0	5	244	11	49	2	.968		
Waite Hoyt.	P.	R.	33	84	3	19	2	2	0	25	0	3	226	7	49	2	.966		
Al De Vormer.	util.	R.	24	59	8	12	3	1	0	17	0	4	203	62	13	2	.974		
Camp Skinner.	util.	L.	27	33	1	6	0	0	0	6	1	0	182	9	0	0	1,000		
Bob Shawkey.	P.	R.	36	105	11	19	1	0	1	23	0	8	181	11	61	3	.960		
Grand totals.			4819	704	1410	204	70	88	2018	50	191	293	3560	1923	163	.971			

Above table includes Yankee eligible players only.

McGraw, Pilot of Many Big League Pennant Winners



HE BAWLS THEM OUT WHEN NECESSARY

BATTING 'EM OUT IN PRACTICE

FANDOM ABUZZ WITH TALK OF WORLD SERIES

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inning played miles away from the championship of the world. Special announcers will add the frills and furbelows for the edification of the fans. Side features coming to The Washington Times office will be sent immediately to the ball park and given to the announcers.

Scoreboard to Be Used.

Arrangements have been made to have the regular electric scoreboard on the right center field fence used just as during the major league season. Thus all fans attending as guests of The Washington Times and the Washington baseball club will be enabled to follow closely and accurately the deeds of the gladiators in the big series.

With the series opening Wednesday, the first three games will be shown. Because of Georgetown University's football game Saturday, October 7, the impersonation of the world series will not be given that day. But the electric board will be used just the same, thus enabling the football fans to keep abreast of the title tilt.

No game will be shown on Sunday, October 8, but if the battle for the world honors goes over to Monday, The Washington Times will endeavor to show that and any succeeding games until the championship has been decided.

When one of UMPQUA's pruned is seen limping down the Boulevard de Prunes in a rolling chair the wide world knows he is suffering from an overdose of petrified plums.

The fruit here is so savory that once a victim is bedridden by the insidious effects of these harmless little olives, there is no recovery for him this side of a pair of crutches.

Symptoms are plain as the wart on your neck. Elbows begin drooping when malady is in primitive stage and later on the skin changes to shade of purple meringue.

Little by little the old flesh color is shed for a new fur of indigo veneer bearing a texture not unlike the scales on a sea-going speckled trout and closely akin to the Siberian crabapple in molting time.

These cases are not only incurable but contagious. Prune cholera leaps from one customer to the other with the speed of a minnow chasing a walrus around a golfing garage.

Patient is fed on prunes in different masquerade, running the scale from file de prunes to prune pudding, prune hash, prune consommé down to undiluted prune tonic for wholesale and retail consumption in foreign and domestic quantities.

For reservations, telegraph the sheriff!

Navin Plans Trade.

DETROIT, Sept. 30.—Frank Navin, boss of the Tigers, admitted today that he was planning to effect a trade with the Boston Red Sox. It is believed here that Howard Ehmke will figure in the deal. He has long wanted to get away from Detroit.

Millers are Second.

Joe Cantillon's Minneapolis Millers are finishing second to St. Paul in the American Association flag race.

JOHN M'GRAW HANDLES TEAM LIKE CHESS MASTER

By DAVIS J. WALSH.

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—While the worthy Mr. Huggins will most certainly have something to do with the running of a ball club on the field during the impending world series, if only as a managerial clearing house for decisions made in advance of a play, it will remain for John McGraw to sit in the dugout, and, like a chess master, run his team, play by play.

This was so during the 1921 series. Frank Snyder, who is no one's dumbbell, seldom flashed a signal to the pitcher without first turning around to get McGraw's say-so. It is said that McGraw pitched virtually every ball that was thrown by Douglas, Neft and Barnes during the series and knowing the Yankee hitters like an iceman knows his scales, made his pitchers look better than they really were.

Again with the batters. Let a man like Bancroft, who has been around the major leagues long enough to know his own mind, work the pitcher, to a count of two and nothing. He does nothing further before craning an interrogative neck in the direction of the dugout. So

AMERICAN LEAGUE HOLDS PALM IN SERIES HISTORY

Since 1905, when the former national baseball commission was created, a post-season series has been held between the teams which won the championships of their respective leagues, resulting in ten victories for the American and seven for the National.

Whether this world series supremacy denoted a better brand of baseball playing in the younger league has been debated every winter, with facts dug from the record books to prove and disprove the same assertions—and, as former Vice President "Tom" Marshall used to say, "with the same result and no casualties."

As fantastic as it appears in print, the Boston Red Sox, rivals of all who are despondent, hold the palm for world series honors, being the only club that has won the highest prize in baseball four times and one of the three in the annals of the classic that have won it two times in succession.

And more fantastic, perhaps, the Philadelphia Athletics, cellar champions for seven years, are the Boston American's loudest dispirited, having won, back in the days of "The Million Dollar Infield," three world series, two of them in succession.

The other American League club to humble the National League champs twice without intermission are the Chicago White Sox, now a gilded memory of the "suspensionless" days, Cleveland, with Tris Speaker leading, is the only other club of the younger circuit to win a world series.

All the American League clubs, except Washington and St. Louis—neither St. Louis team ever has won a pennant—have been champions of their bailiwicks.

In the National League five clubs—New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Boston, and Cincinnati—have won premier honors, the first two named twice each and the last three once each. The St. Louis Cardinals are the only National League team that never has participated in the big athletic event.

A peculiar incident of world series is that seven of the seventeen times it has been played the winner took four games out of five—the best four out of seven to win; three times it has been four to two games, and only twice have the winners shut out the losers in all four.

WILLS IN POOR CLASH WITH UNKNOWN FOEMAN

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—Showing little of the speed and punching power that had made him a foremost contender for Jack Dempsey's heavyweight crown, Harry Wills managed to score a knockout over Clem Johnson in the twelve-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night, but not before the latter had given Wills the fight of his life. The so-called Black Panther lost considerable prestige as a result of the exhibition.

Stunk by the taunts of the crowd, Wills rushed his rival to the ropes in the eleventh and battered him at will. Johnson was almost helpless when he came out for the twelfth, and after a minute and forty seconds of one-sided battling the referee halted the proceedings.

Seeks Grid Games.

The Riverdale Midgets want football games with eleven in the 80 and 100-pound class. Teams wanting games write Coach I. Batson Riverdale, Md.

VIRGINIA OFF ON SEASON'S START TODAY

C. W. U. Eleven Is in Charlottesville Meeting Campbell's Charges.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Sept. 30.—Twenty-eight George Washington University football players arrived here today from Washington to formally open the University of Virginia football game and to give Coach Tommy Campbell's charges a trial.

Virginia is more than anxious to run up a large total against the visitors, because of the fact that it is the first game in which the new coach is showing his stuff.

The Virginia eleven will have one Washington man playing tackle. He is Charley Fenwick, former Western High captain. Fenwick is expected to get the call for the Virginia job in today's start.

George Washington will probably take the field with Pitak and Altrop on the ends; Buchheister and Corbin, tackles; Allen, Calhoun, Walsh or Jacobson, guards; Connolly or Clements, center; Thomas or Fisher, quarterback; and Manson, Wells, Pryor, Johnson, O'Keefe and Kanowski, backs.

The visiting eleven will be out-weighted by Virginia. The Hatchettes average less than 170 pounds, an unusually light team for varsity football.

TACKLES OFFER SCRAP FOR JOBS YALE TEAM

The prettiest race in any competition for positions on the Yale team is that shown between Danny Beaver and Tony Hulman, the present tackles, and Mike Eddy and Ted Blair, the pair who were prevented from winning regular places last season by injuries.

WRESTLER IS HEAVIEST MAN IN ELI GRID SQUAD

John Mackay, intercollegiate heavyweight wrestler last year and substitute guard this fall, is the heaviest member of the Eli football squad. He weighs 227 pounds and stands six feet four inches in height.

Rice's Foul Costly.

Frankie Rice, the Baltimore cave man, lost his bout with Earl France, of California Monday night in Philadelphia. He fouled France in the second round and was immediately disqualified.

Open Grid Season.

St. Teresa and Circle A. C. will open their grid season in a game to-morrow at 3:15 p. m. on the Anacosta field.

HEBREW LEAGUE READY FOR BOWLING SEASON

The Hebrew Inter-Club Bowling League, which had a big season last year, will inaugurate the new season, October 9, when the Y. M. C. A. and Herzl bowlers will meet at the Grand Central.

Joseph Messinger, of the Rialto Athletic Club, is president of the league. The other officers are Joe Levinson, Y. M. C. A., vice president; Lew Silverberg, Alpine Club, secretary-treasurer; and Julius Sauer, Herzl Club, official scorekeeper.

The teams are Rialto Athletic Club, Herzl Club, Young Friends Club, Alpine Club, Kamel Club, and the Young Men's Hebrew Association.

They Pick Dickenson.

PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 30.—Melville P. Dickenson, who has been playing left guard on the varsity, has been chosen captain of Princeton's football team in place of Ralph Gilroy, declared ineligible. Coming from Exeter Academy, Dickenson fell behind in his studies last season and played with the Omelettes.

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